AGENCY: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA)

TITLE: Support for National Environmental Monitoring Conference

ACTION: Request for Initial Proposals (RFIP) – Amendment No. 01

RFIP NO.: USEPA-ORD-TBN25891

CATALOGUE OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE (CFDA) NO.: 66.510

SUMMARY: The purpose of this Amendment is to clarify inconsistencies contained in the RFIP and revise the proposal instructions found in **SECTION III** and **SECTION IV**, and **Revise the Due Date from November 17, 2005 to November 30, 2005**. Accordingly, changes are indicated in **BOLD:**

1. SECTION III: <u>Eligibility Information</u>, Sub-Section: <u>Sub-agreement Eligibility Criteria:</u>

"Coalitions may not include for profit organizations that will provide services or products to the successful applicant. For profit organizations are not eligible for sub awards. Any contracts for services or products funded with EPA financial assistance must be awarded under the competitive procurement procedures of 40 CFR Part 30. The regulations also contain limitations on consultant compensation. Applicants expecting to use contractor services to satisfy this assistance requirement will be required to identify in the proposal the contractors and consultants along with their specific roles and responsibilities. Moreover, all applicants are reminded that contractor or consultant support should be acquired using competitive procurement practices or consultant compensation limitations."

2. SECTION IV: <u>Application and Submission Information</u>, Item 2:

"Technical proposal that discusses the approach to accomplishing the goals stated under Funding Priorities/Focus, the capabilities (in terms of personnel and facilities) of the applicant to complete the program, the expected results from this program, how the program will advance and stimulate the public need, and how the results will be made available to the public and government. In developing the technical proposal, the applicant should focus on the evaluation criteria set forth in Section V and structure the proposal to address each of the criteria in the order listed.

The page limitation of the technical proposal is 15 double sided pages with a minimum font size of 12, single-spaced. This page limitation should include all text, tables, figures, references, attachments, and appendices. In addition, a 2-page summary of the primary lead and any other key personnel identified in the

proposal should also be provided. The total page limitation for the document is 17 pages."

3. Original Due Date for Applications/Initial Proposals: November 17, 2005

The Due Date for submission of Applications/Initial Proposals is hereby changed to **November 30, 2005.**

4. Except as stated herein, all other terms and conditions remain unchanged.